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SUBJ: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: KOREA AT UN

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1. CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER REECE SAW SUPERVISING DIRECTOR, UN AFFAIRS, ANTWI, MAY 21, TO RAISE KOREAN QUESTION. WHILE ANTWI LISTENED TO PRESENTATION, HE REPLIED THAT AS CO-SPONSOR OF NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION LAST YEAR IT WOULD BE UNSEEMLY FOR GHANA TO SWITCH TO ABSTENTION, MUCH LESS SUPPORT OF FRIENDLY RESOLUTION, THIS YEAR SHOULD ISSUE COME TO VOTE AT UNGA. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT GHANA'S POSITION AT COLOMBO WAS UNLIKELY TO BE DIFFERENT FROM THAT AT LIMA LAST YEAR.

2. REECE FOLLOWED THIS UP WITH CONVERSATION WITH SENIOR PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OTOO AT SOCIAL FUNCTION MAY 22 AND RECEIVED LESS CATEGORICAL RESPONSE, BUT HIS CONCLUSION TALLIES WITH THAT OF JAPANESE (REFTEL), I.E., THAT NO CHANGE CAN BE EXPECTED IN GOG POSITION AND THAT BEST WE COULD EXPECT ON BASIS OF PRESENT READINGS WOULD BE LESS ACTIVE ROLE.

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3. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR MURAKAMI CALLED ON GERMAN AMBASSADOR MOTZ MAY 21 TO DELIVER NOTE MENTIONED REFTEL AND CONVEY OPINION MENTIONED PARAGRAPH 2 ABOVE. MOTZ HAS NOT YET CALLED AT MFA AND WITH GERMAN AID DELEGATION HERE HE MAY BE UNABLE TO DO SO PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE FOR LEAVE MAY 30. CHARGE WOULD THEN TAKE MESSAGE TO MFA.

4. OTOO ALSO COMMENTED TO REECE THAT IT APPEARED TO HIM THAT THERE WAS A PLANNED MOVEMENT TO PRESS GHANAIS. REECE SAID A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES WERE INTERESTED AND THAT OTOO SHOULD NOT BE SURPRISED THAT THIS INTEREST WAS EXPRESSED. LINEHAN

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